Professors of the Law College.

136. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have issued an order prohibiting the Professors of the Law College from taking part in any political or *quasi*-political movements and, if so, whether a copy of the order will be laid on the table;

(*b*) whether the Professors of the Law College are eligible, under the Travancore Legislative Council Regulation, II of 1097, to be non-official members of the Legislative Council; and

(*c*) whether at any time the Government have declared the Professors of the Law College to be eligible for a non-official seat in the Travancore Legislature?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The member is referred to the answer to parts 1 (*a*) and 1 (*b*) of interpellation No. 135 by Mr. M. N. Pillai.

(*b*) and (*c*) The Professors of the Law College come under the "Non-official definition rules" for the purpose of the Legislative Council Regulation, II of 1097.

Law College Professors and Political Movements.

137. **MR. K. I. JOSEPH** (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have recently issued special directions to the Professors of the Law College forbidding them from taking part in any political or *quasi*-political movements in the country;

(*b*) if so, what special reasons the Government had in so doing; and

(*c*) whether they were not free to take part in political movements before issuing those instructions?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to the answer to question No. 135 by Mr. M. N. Pillai.

MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state, for the information of this House and of the public, the particular occasion that is referred to in part (3) of the answer to question No. 135?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That will be found in Appendix VI.

MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): I refer to the answer to question No 135, part (3).

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Which is the question the member refers to?

MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): No. 135, where the answer given is 'an occasion recently occurred when the privilege was abused.'

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have said that the occasion will be found in Appendix VI.

MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): It is not seen there,

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : It is there.

MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): The circumstance is mentioned, but not the name of the person.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government thought that it was a delicate matter to disclose the name of the officer.

MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): Do the Government think that the abuse of such privilege by a certain individual on a particular occasion is sufficient reason to cancel such privilege altogether?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is a matter of opinion.

Report on Newspapers offending against the Provisions of Regulation V of 1101.

138. **MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) what arrangements they have made to get knowledge of newspapers offending against the provisions of Regulation V of 1101; and

(*b*) whether anybody has been specially appointed or ordered to bring to the notice of the Government the offence of newspapers under the Regulation, and if so, who is that officer?

MR. KAYYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): (*a*) The Government have made necessary arrangements for the purpose. They do not, however, propose to disclose the arrangements made.

(*b*) No officer has been specially appointed for or charged with the work.

Repeal of the Newspapers Regulation.

139. **MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Ambalapuzha*): Have the Government any intention of repealing or modifying the Newspapers Regulation?

MR. KAYYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): The Government have no present intention of repealing or modifying it.

Regulation V of 1101.

140. **MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR** (*Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of resolutions passed at public meetings, received by them, protesting against Regulation V of 1101 and requesting them to repeal the same; and

(*b*) whether they have any intention of repealing the Regulation?

MR. KAYYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): (*a*) 21.

(*b*) The member is referred to the answer given to interpellation No. 139 by Mr. P. K. Narayana Pillai.

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